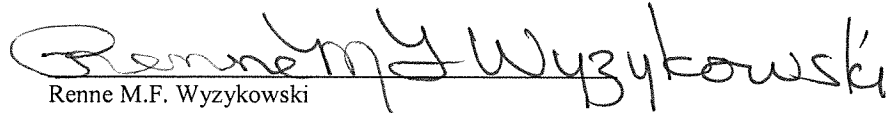


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An **Appendix** including amended drawings figures is attached following page 5 of this paper.